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VIOLATION OF LABOUR LAWS BY EXPORTING UNITS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the exporting units in the country employ contract labourers who are deprived of minimum wages, increment, bonus, ESI, PF and other benefits;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of complaints received during each of the last three years and the current year regarding violation of labour laws from such units; and

(c) the remedial steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard alongwith action taken against the violators?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT(SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): Establishments, including Exporting Units, employing contract labour under the provision of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 have to ensure minimum wages and other benefits as per the provisions of the Act. Where reports of violation of the provisions of the Act are received, the Office of Chief Labour Commissioner (Central) takes action in the context of the establishments coming under Central Government. For the States,the said Act is implemented by the labour departments of respective State Governments. Information for the last three years regarding enforcement of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 for the establishments coming under central sphere, including Exporting Units, is enclosed at Annexure-A.